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GOV. COLQUITT ON ADMINISTRATION

Brands Rule of Wilson as Big Fiasco.

Democrat Scores Repeal of Tolls New Tariff and Watchful Waiting.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 26.—The Wilson Administration has been the greatest failure in the history of the presidency.

The South is a land literally flowing with milk and honey; it has made one of the biggest and best crops in its history, and yet because of the utter incompetency of the men in charge of the Government its business is prostrated, its credit is impaired, and thousands of its people are starving.

The administration's tariff law was pledged to lower the cost of living and it has had the contrary effect. By putting raw material on the free list and keeping the protective tariff on manufactured goods it has condemned American farmers by hundreds of thousands to peonage and has enabled the manufacturers, after getting their raw materials cheaper to charge higher prices for their goods, which they have done.

Hides were free listed and shoes have gone higher. This is true of virtually every single item similarly treated in the Administration Tariff law. The American farmer gets less for his raw materials; the American workingman pays more for the finished product and both are robbed to further enrich the protected manufacturing trusts and combines.

Foreign Policy Imbecile.

The Administration's foreign policy has been imbecile. It has allowed England to dictate conditions to cotton shipments to European countries that enabled English spinners to rob the American cotton growers of half the value of their crop. England stopped American shipments until the English spinners had bought their supply at 6 1/2 cents a pound and stored it in Texas and other Southern warehouses.

Then England consented to declare cotton not contraband and France followed suit a day or two later. Our Government weakly submitted to England's dictation playing into the hands of the English spinners and betraying the American cotton growers as completely as if this country were an English vassal state.

If I had been President I would have served notice on England's premier that our foreign trade in cotton and other noncontraband commodities was going forward with or without England's consent, and, if necessary, I would have sent American ironclads to England's door to enforce that notice.

Panama Tolls Repeal.

The Administration's repeal of the Panama Tolls Exemption Law in violation of the party's national platform was another weak surrender to England. If free tolls for American ships had not been repealed, hundreds of American-owned ships flying a foreign flag would have come under the American flag to get the benefit of the exemption and we would today have an American merchant marine competent to carry our goods to foreign markets. We have no such merchant marine and to supply it the Wilson Administration is to spend the taxpayers' money buying a subsidized national shipping service.

The Wilson-Brynn management of the Mexican affair has been an egregious failure. They landed an American army in Vera Cruz to force Huerta to salute the flag and have brought it back without getting the salute. They now ask Congress to appropriate more than \$500,000 to pay the expenses of the ridiculous expedition. For what did it accomplish?

It set all Mexico afame against the Americans, not only in Mexico, but in Texas, where all along the north bank of the Rio Grande there are ten Mexicans to one American. It brought on a reign of terror all along the Texas border, so that when the

Federal Government refused to afford protection for our people in their own State, I was forced to send 1,200 Texas troops down there to give it.

Bandits Raid State.

Mexican bandit gangs were crossing the border into Texas raiding and terrorizing our scattered people. Women and children were huddled together in brick houses, menaced with murder and worse. My desk was flooded with telegrams from Chambers of Commerce, bankers and stockmen, and other reputable citizens, praying for protection nil along our 1,200 miles of frontier. The Federal Government had only 500 troopers at Brownsville to cover more than two-thirds of that long border. When I rushed the Texas State troops down there, stationing a company at each of the principal border towns, I instructed them not to cross the river, nor in any way to violate the neutrality law, but at all costs to protect the lives and property of Texas people.

Secretary of War Garrison telegraphed me that he thought it unwise to have two military forces occupying the same territory under separate commanders and suggested that I withdraw the State troops. I wired him that I would withdraw the Texas troops when he sent an equal number of regulars to replace them at every place where our men were stationed.

Encourage Bandits.

I understand they had everything prepared at Washington to have me indicted by a Federal grand jury and put in a Federal prison on the assumption that I meant to invade Mexico—a palpable absurdity which only men utterly ignorant of the situation could have entertained. It is a fact which the whole country does not know that when our Texas troops arrived in Brownsville the Mexican commander at Matamoras, across the river, offered to surrender that city to the troops of United States cavalrymen. The commander at Matamoras evidently believed the Texas troops meant to take the city and thought the United States troops more friendly than the Texans. The Washington conception of our business on the border was as ridiculous as that of the Mexican commander.

Wilson and Bryan have stood by encouraging one gang of bandits after another, while people were being butchered all over Mexico while the best American interests in that country were confiscated and shot to pieces, and today the Mexican chaos is worse than at any time for Island.

Deputy Marshal Clark Taylor, of Island, was arrested Friday morning after the verdict of the coroner's jury, inquiring the killing of Albert Gillian and Uke Everly, on Christmas Eve, to him, and taken before Police Judge Staten, who placed him under bond in the sum of \$750 for his appearance before the county Judge for examining trial. He was accused of manslaughter. When the announcement was made that Taylor had been admitted to bail, nearly twenty prominent citizens of Island and the neighboring county volunteered to sign his bond. It was estimated that the value of the bond, when completed, was worth more than ten times the required amount.

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Marshal Monroe May, who was shot in the arm by a stray bullet, was getting along nicely Friday.

M. N. Shultz Dead.

Mr. M. N. Shultz died at his residence near Prentiss Sunday morning at 4 o'clock of disease incident to old age. After funeral services conducted by Rev. A. B. Gardner at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, his remains were buried in the Prentiss cemetery. The deceased, who had been a member of the Baptist church for many years, was one of Ohio county's best citizens and will be greatly missed. He leaves surviving him a wife and three sons—Rev. O. M. Shultz, Livermore; Rev. E. K. Shultz, Louisiana, and Supt. Ozon Shultz, Hartford. Mr. Shultz was in his eighty-first year.

XMAS SHOOTING AT ISLANDSTATION

Deputy Marshal Uses Pistol Discuss Problems of Trade With Deathly Effect.

Brothers-in-Law Attack Officer After Being Jailed For Being Drunk.

The Louisville Herald of Friday says:

Albert Gillian and Uke Everly were shot and instantly killed at 10 o'clock Thursday night by Deputy Marshal Clark Taylor at Island, a mining town in McLean county. Marshal Monroe May was shot through the arm by a stray bullet, and was taken to his home where he was given medical attention.

The bodies of Gillian and Everly were allowed to remain where they fell, pending the arrival of the coroner of McLean county.

Early Thursday afternoon Gillian was given a hearing by Deputy Marshal Taylor on the charge of drunkenness. He was placed in the city prison, but released at 6 o'clock when he promised to go to his home. He was joined later in the night by his brother-in-law, Uke Everly.

The two men met Deputy Marshal Taylor on the street. It is claimed that both of the men had their knives drawn and were in the net of making an attack on the official. He was accompanied by Marshal Tom Monroe.

Deputy Marshal Taylor is said to have whipped his revolver from his pocket and fired five shots. Both Gillian and Everly fell to the ground. They expired in a very few minutes, being shot in vital parts. Marshal May was shot and wounded by a stray bullet from Deputy Marshal Taylor's revolver.

Both Gillian and Everly were said to have been intoxicated. There were few eye-witnesses to the double tragedy.

The authorities in Calhoun were immediately notified and left at once for Island.

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STATE EDITORS ARE IN SESSION

Deputy Marshal Uses Pistol Discuss Problems of Trade Affecting Business.

Skeletons Laid Bare, No Secrets Withheld at Regular Experience Meeting.

pirants—only one of them a newspaperman—and one candidate for Secretary of State, were present at the meeting yesterday afternoon. Congressman Augustus Owsley Stanley found time to knock in on his labor in Washington to look in on the "press gang." Two others who have been mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for Governor present were Lieut. Gov. E. J. McDermott and Harry Somers, editor of the Elizabethtown News; Col. W. P. Walton, Lexington's journalistic sage, also was on hand. He is an avowed candidate for the Democratic nomination for Secretary of State. Others there may have been available but not avowed.

Members of the State Press Association arrived in Louisville yesterday morning. After luncheon at the Watterson they were called to order by President James R. Lemon, of Mayfield, Ky. An invocation was pronounced by the Rev. Frank M. Thomas.

The address of welcome which was to have been delivered by Mayor Buschmeier was read by Charles T. Taylor, of the Board of Public Safety. A cold prevented the Mayor from attending. President Lemon responded. Round-table talk then followed.

Acquittal For Taylor.

Calhoun, Ky., Dec. 29.—Clark Taylor was acquitted of the charge of man-slaughter or examining trial before County Judge J. T. Higgs at this place today. Taylor is a deputy marshal of Island, a small mining town on the railroad, and in conjunction with is chief, Monroe May, the marshal of the town, was attempting to arrest Uke Everly and Albert Gillian on the night of Christmas eve, both of whom were said to be in an intoxicated condition and acting in a boisterous manner.

The men, according to the story told on the witness stand, resisted arrest, drew knives and attacked the marshal and his deputy, the marshal being stabbed in the hand by one of the men. The deputy

shot his gun and fired several times, killing both men. Both men were shot entirely through the body, one in the front and the other in the back.

At the conclusion of the trial this morning, Judge Higgs dismissed the warrant holding that Taylor acted in his necessary self defense.

SIMMONS.

Dec. 28.—Miss Corn Maples of Bennett is the guest of Mrs. John Carter and Mrs. Fred Tatum Christmas week.

Misses Norma Ross and Mary Jane Maddox, of Centertown, were the guests of Mr. R. B. Carter from Wednesday until Sunday.

Miss Elva Wilson, of Green Briar, is the guest of Mr. Hins Maddox and friends.

Mr. Ira Plummer, the assistant bookkeeper at Simmons, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Plummer, of Prentiss, from Friday until Sunday.

The social at Mr. Q. B. Brown's Saturday night was enjoyed by all present.

Several spent Christmas day at Mr. R. B. Carter's. Excellent music was furnished by Miss Mary Jane Maddox, of Centertown.

Miss Anna Carter spent her Christmas holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Carter returned home Thursday from a visit to their son, Otto Carter, store manager of Daniel Boone, Ky.

Christmas at this place was quiet.

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Hartford Masons Elect Officers.

Hartford Lodge F. & A. M., No. 675 elected officers last Saturday as follows: Isaac Y. Sanderfur, W. M.; A. D. Kirk, S. W.; Otto C. Martin, J. W.; E. G. Schroeter, Secy.; J. H. Patton, Treas.; W. H. Rhoads, S. D.; James Nance, J. D.; Albert Risi, Tyler; D. T. O'Bannon and Will Liles, Stewards. W. N. Stevens was elected as a member of the Board of Control.

Eastern Star Officers.

The following officers were installed by Hartford Chapter Eastern Star Monday night: W. M., Mrs. S. T. Burnett; W. P., Owen Hunter; Associate M., Mrs. B. F. Tichenor; Conductress, Mrs. W. S. Tinsley; Associate Conductress, Mrs. U. S. Carson; Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Miller; Chaplain, Mrs. C. M. Barnett; Adj. Mrs. C. M. Crowe; Esther, Mrs. F. L. Felix; Ruth, Mrs. J. H. Williams; Martha, Mrs. C. P. Turner; Electra, Mrs. Rowan Holbrook; Warden, Mrs. Fred Cooper; Sentinel, R. Holbrook; Organist, Miss Hettie Riley.



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Brother Sinner By Harry Irving Greene

JOHN HARDING was not a mild man, neither he inclined to be superstitious. As a rule he had small belief in signs, presentiments of bunches, but just now different. For he had signs stolen; had a presentiment that a certain unworthy rascal "Shiftless Joe" had done the deed, and possessed a bunch that was about to horsewhip Joe until he reassembled any pig critter that was ever lifted over a fence on a moonless night. So, being a man of mind as well as thoughts, he took his mighty bull whip and started homeward towards the abode of his conscience to be.

Shiftless Joe was not reckoned among the 400 of John Harding's constituency, and when one is told that there were but 400 people in that district, he will understand that the state need has a well-defined meaning. He lived alone at the edge of the big woods, fishing in summer when it was not too hot; trapping in winter when it was not too cold; sleeping and reading the year around, he was avoiding the entire hard-working, hard-hunting settlement.

It was a long tramp from the home of Harding to the miserable cabin of Joe, and by the time the former had arrived there his righteous ire against the slothful sinful being whom he sought was grim and unrelenting. "My house is the house of judgment; but you have made it a den of thieves," he quoted sternly. Then he entered his list and smote upon the unatched door such a blow as Moses of old might have struck when he split the rock and made the waters gush forth. From within a squeaky, rat-like voice bade him enter, and through the narrow doorway he crowded.

He glanced around the cluttered abode. From one corner a thin, weasel-like figure arose and stood cowering before the mighty one, fear thickly covering his face as he noted the formidable whip tightly clutched in the equally formidable hand. "Good morning, Mr. Harding. Happy New Year," he said, fawningly.

"It is a bad morning for you, and it is going to be an unhappy beginning to the New Year," he retorted. "Steal my shoot, will you? The smaller man raised up his hands with a protesting gesture as quick denial leaped to his lips. But Harding silenced him with a roar.

"Don't add lying to your thievery, you thief-killing cur. One false word from your lips and your punishment

shall be doubled. You thought you were cunning, but in several places I found the mark of that elus' foot of yours while you were making off with my good pork. Now what have you to say?"

"Nothing, except that I did not steal—." As a bear strikes, so did the heavy arm of the invader shoot out, the hand gripping the thin shoulder like a trap. "I warned you if you lied your punishment should be doubled. Has not the good Lord commanded 'Thou shalt not steal?' Thank your stars that you did not live in those days, for you would have been stoned to death. Rather, bless your luck that you have fallen into the hands of a compassionate man." With a hiss the lash fell and a shuddering scream burst from the lips of the cringing one. But from then on no sound escaped them until, at last released from the iron grip, Joe fell limply upon the frozen ground. Sternly gazing down upon his victim for a moment, Harding turned away. "It was the just punishment of a rogue by a just man," he muttered to his conscience.

From a shapeless, writhing heap the fallen one arose, his small eyes glinting with the deadly glare of a prodded serpent. "Whip me, you black devil—you usurer—you forecloser of widow's mortgages—you dodger of taxes—you—." The voice rose to an inarticulate scream of rage. "By the Eternal, I'll kill you for that—yes, murder you in cold blood." Then the first



I'll Kill You for That, Yes.

wild outburst of passion passed and into the red eyes a look of cunning crept, the cunning that outwitted wary wild beasts and took them in his snare.

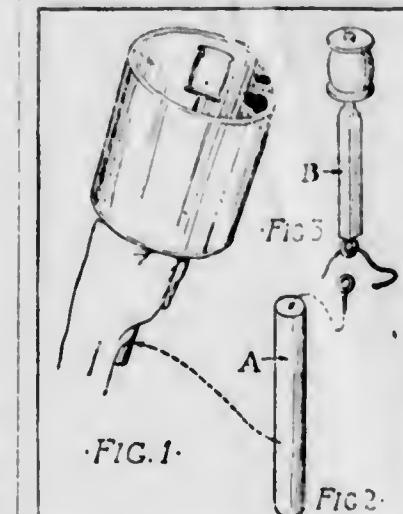
He passed rapidly through the brush until he came to a hollow log, from which he drew an ancient gun which he had stolen and hidden there years before. None knew that he possessed it, and he chuckled at his own cunning as he plotted his details. He knew that Harding's family was away and that John would attend church that night and return home alone after services. Nothing would be easier

FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE

Toy Nose Producers and How to Make Them.

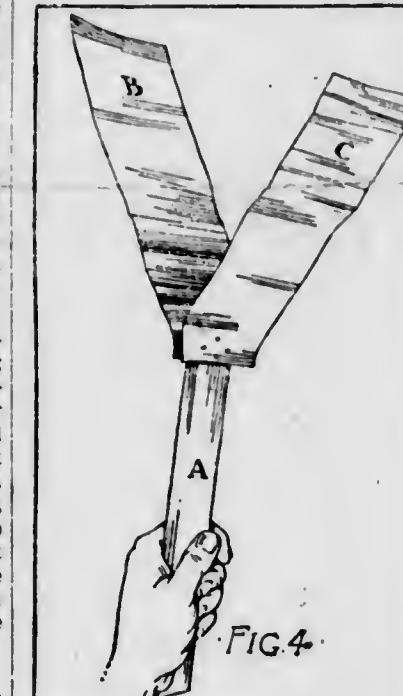
NO one objects to a moderate amount of noise in welcome to the incoming new year, and I am sure that you will agree with me that the following are splendid noise producers. Each will require but a few minutes' time to make.

The bell-rattle shown in Fig. 1 is made with a can, a common thread spool, two short sticks and two screw-eyes. The tin can forms the bell portion of the rattle, and a short piece of broomhandle or other stick whittled round, fasten to it for a handle. This handle stick (A, Fig. 2) is secured to the bottom of the can by piercing a hole through the tin and screwing a screw-eye from the inside of the can down into the end of the stick. Figure 3 shows how the



tongue of the bell rattle is prepared. The length of the tongue should be equal to the inside depth of the can. Cut a stick of this length and whittle down one end to fit the hole in the thread spool you have obtained; then screw a screw-eye into the other end (Fig. 3). Fasten the tongue in place with a piece of string, passing the string through the screw-eyes in tongue and handle A, and tying them loosely with firm knots. This completes the rattle.

The odd-shaped rattle shown in Fig. 4 requires a short stick for handle A, and two tin cans out of which to make the wings, pieces B and C. The bottoms of the cans must be re-



moved, and the sides opened out. Tack the pieces to opposite sides of the stick handle.

By holding the handle in the position shown in Fig. 4, and shaking from side to side, the tin wings will flap back and forth and make a splendid crackling, crashing noise.

If you have never tried pulling upon a string rubbed with resin, you cannot appreciate what a loud shrieking sound is produced in this manner.



Figure 5 shows the idea adapted to a toy that is quickly put together. Get an empty tin can, a piece of heavy wrapping paper, a piece of stout wrapping twine, and a piece of resin. Double the wrapping paper, pierce a hole through its center, stick the end of the cord through it and tie a large knot on it (Fig. 6). Then tie the paper over the open end of the can, as shown in Fig. 6, and trim off the projecting edges. To operate, pull firmly on the string, at the same time allowing it to slide through your hand.

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Waiting for the New Year



HAPPY NEW YEAR CUSTOMS

Celebrations of the Mummers in Olden Days in England—Tending to Revive Visiting.

On Friday, January 1, the mummers will meet—that's their way of ushering in the New Year. How many of them know the beginning of the custom—or its ending? It began innocently enough, but by the seventh century it amounted to "diabolical paganism, outrageous, blasphemous. Ruthless, robbed and even murdered under the pretense of merrymaking. Not all was frightful, however. In Rome slaves were waited upon by their masters and the poor reaped veritable harvests, which was but natural, since it all came from the satrals of the Eternal City.

In England the mummers performed plays, spoke dialogues and impersonated famous people, especially kings and warriors. Songs were sung both by the mummers and their entertainers. Here is one:

To shorten winter's sadness
See where the folks with gladness
Disguised all are a-coming
Right wantonly a-mumming.

In those days they loved, too, to masquerade as animals, bears and unicorns being especially favored disguises. Scott's couplet summed it up:

What ills may in their mumming see
Tricks of ancient misrule.

At last this mumming came to be a menace as well as a nuisance, and the chaste Henry VIII made it a misdemeanor to wear a mask.

It was George Washington who made the day what it once was in this country. Said he: "Never forget the cheerful and cordial observance of New Year's day." The celebration grew and grew, until a generation or so ago, the scenes enacted at some receptions were simply disgraceful, society having progressed some since it was good form to imbibe until the imbibing quietly slid under the table.

Of late years there has been a tendency to revive visiting on the first day of the year. But it is all very informal, and every hostess knows each and every one of her guests, which was not always the case when it was the fashion to have as many as possible and any man counted one. An amusing story is told of one hostess who, in a lull, left the line and went over to the punch bowl in the back parlor, saying to a man she didn't know: "What is your name? I don't think I know you." He told her. She didn't remember it, so she asked him with whom he had come. He said he had come by himself, whereupon she ordered him out. Imagine her chagrin the next day upon receiving from this man a letter she had written to a relative in a neighboring city asking that he visit there whenever he should be in the city. Also to be reminded by him that he had sent his letter of introduction and resolved cards, which he also inclosed. In the holiday rush she had simply forgotten the new name.

THE NEW YEAR'S EVE FATES

How Curious Maidens Can Find Out What Is In Store For Them—An Italian Custom.

Every maiden wishes that the future has in store for her, and this is what she must do on New Year's day to learn her fate:

Turn the pillow at midnight, the 31st of December, and you will dream of the man you are to marry. Or let her take her hymn book to her bedroom, blow out the lamp, open the book and sing a hymn in the dark, put it under the pillow and sleep on it. Next morning when she reads the hymn she will find its text will indicate the event of the year.

On New Year's eve, if a maiden wishes to know her fate during the coming year, she must go into the open air with a psalm book in one hand and a piece of silver in her mouth. She must allow the book to fall open, and if it opens at the bridal psalm she will marry, and whatever else it opens to will indicate her fate.

On New Year's eve, while the clock is striking twelve, repeat three times: Good St. Anne, good St. Anne, Send me a man as fast as you can—And you will be engaged in a year.

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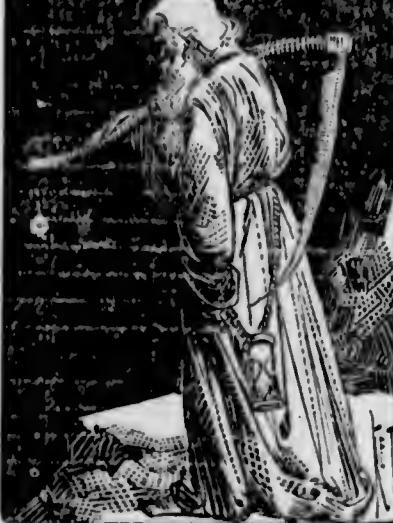
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I've swung the circle of the sun,
I've given e'en that Life bestows,
I've dealt Fate's cards to friends, to foes.
I've touched you each with joy and care,
Drawn wrinkles here, smoothed wrinkles
there.
And if I've raised temples gray,
I've made warm lips to kiss away
The chills. Tho' Death, tho' strife
I've visited—I've granted Life.

I'm Time. I've robbed your cradle dear,
Yet I ask you—your dying Year,
Have I not filled it? Answer free,
If I've robbed you have not you cheated me?
Have not you sought to kill me—Time?
Have not you wasted me—God's gift sub-
lime?
Misspent me, mocked me, wished me on
my way,
Loathed and reviled me—prayed another
day,
And when I granted it, mocked that one,
too.
Are we not quit at evens—I and you?

Tis Kismet—Fate. Old World, good-by,
My cycle's done—I faint—I die.

A Christmas Carol

by HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW

I HEAR along our street
Pass the minister thong;
Hark! They play so sweet.
On their harps, Christmas songs!
Let us by the fire
Ever higher
Sing them till the night expire!

IN December ring
Every day the chimes;
Loud the gleemen sing
In the streets their merry rhymes.
Let us by the fire
Ever higher
Sing them till the night expire!

SHEPHERDS at the manger,
Where the Babe was born,
Sang with many a change
Christmas carols until morn.
Let us by the fire
Ever higher
Sing them till the night expire!

THESE good people sing
Songs devout and sweet;
While the robes rang,
There they stood with freezing feet.
Let us by the fire
Ever higher
Sing them till the night expire!

JUNTS in frigid cells
At this holy tide,
For want of something else,
Christmas songs at times have tried.
Let us by the fire
Ever higher
Sing them till the night expire!

WHO by the fireside stands,
Stamps his feet and sings;
But his who blows his hands
Not so gay a carol brings.
Let us by the fire
Ever higher
Sing them till the night expire!

HANGING MISTLETOE

Origin of Custom Associated
With Christmas Festivities.

Plant Is Surrounded With Many Superstitions In European Countries
—Sign of Ill Omen in Some Parts of Ireland.

THE good old custom of hanging mistletoe from the ceiling at the Christmas festivities is said to have its origin in the idea that since the plant did not have its roots in the ground no part of it should ever be permitted to touch the earth.

Among the Saxons the fact that mistletoe was suspended from the roof of a dwelling intimated to the wayfarer that the hospitality of the house was at his disposal, and beneath its branches friend and stranger, vassal and lord, gathered in comradeship and good cheer.

The religious aspect of the mistletoe tradition, which had its origin in the Druidical rites and the gathering of it by the archedruid with his golden sickle, merged later into a purely social symbol, and the idea of simple hospitality developed into one of merrymaking and a somewhat riotous entertainment.

The kiss of the Scandinavian goddess expanded into the custom of a kiss given for every berry that grew on the bough. Small wonder that, in spite of the mistletoe having originally existed in the odor of the sanctuary, the church came to regard it as an entirely pagan symbol and refused to allow it to participate with the lily and the evergreen in the Yuleide decorations.

There is an ancient belief that the mistletoe was the tree from which the holy cross was hewn and that after this was made the plant withered and ever afterward became a mere parasite, growth, clinging for support to other and sturdier trees.

Other stories, however, credit it with divine gifts in the healing of diseases and the expulsion of evil spirits.

Ram, the high priest of the Celts, received in a dream the intimation that by means of the plant he would be enabled to save his people from the plague which was decimating them. To celebrate their delivery he instituted the feast of Noel (new health), a midwinter holiday, which has come to be considered coincident with the new year.

In many parts of the United Kingdom the silver berries and the gray-green leaves of the mistletoe are looked upon as anything but an emblem of good cheer; on the contrary, the plant is regarded with dread as being the bringer of ill luck and the sign of ill omen. This superstition exists both in Devonshire and in Ireland, and, strange to say, in neither of these places does the plant flourish, owing, report has it, to the fact that both incurred the displeasure of the Druids and were in consequence cursed in such a way that their soil became incapable of nourishing the sacred growth.

In the sixth book of Aeneid a lengthy description of the mistletoe is given by Virgil, who makes the Sybil describe to his hero the exact spot in hedges where he will find it growing. There is little doubt that the strange ethereal appearance of the little opaque berry is largely responsible for the mystic character it has enjoyed among the people of diverse nations from the earliest historical times.



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all.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 1.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce HON. ALBERT LEATH, of Beaver Dam, Ky., a candidate for State Senator in the 26 Senatorial District comprised of the counties of Ohio, Butler and Muhlenberg, Republican primary election, Aug. 7, 1915.

Perhaps the Russian and German armies are only playing tag.

Is it not about time for another little peace treaty to fall due?

We have an excellent navy but we shall soon miss Richard Pearson Hobson from the conning tower of Congress.

Put the candidates on a platform. It is ridiculous to jack up a set of nominees to construct a platform under them.

Almost every father of a family can understand this time of year why Santa Claus whiskers are so white as well as long.

Here is greeting to all our readers for 1915. We hope you have been pleased with our efforts to give you a first class up-to-date weekly newspaper. For the new year we can only promise to try to improve on the past.

It is very easy to twist the British lion's tail when all four of his feet are tied, several of his teeth knocked out, and an iron muzzle on his nose. However, it is some relief to know that we have not entirely lost our twister.

Gov. Colquitt was a good enough Democrat to be elected Governor of Texas, but since he talks out in meetings about the Wilson policies some of his party brethren in Congress are saying that he don't amount to much down in the lone star State, anyway.

People all along the line of the M. H. & E. railroad are very much inconvenienced by the discontinuance of the regular passenger train between Irvington and Earlinton. We are informed, however, that a new train will soon be put on which will make two round trips daily between Hartford and Irvington, meeting all trains on the L. H. & St. L. This will give better service between here and Louisville, but it would be much better for Uptown, Kronos and Smallhorns, if it could run to Mooretown. This would give us connection for Owensboro and points on the O. & N. R. R.

If the A. S. of E. is successfully reorganized, as it should be, some changes should be made to avoid past mistakes. In the past tobacco has been made the one idea. Every other product of the farm was subordinated. Those who did not grow tobacco were made to feel *lonesome* in all of the meetings. It was tobacco all the time. We believe the society should be made more educational. The various products should be handled through separate departments. This was the original idea, and the fact that it was not carried out cost the organization thousands of members and no doubt in the end caused its present weak condition, at least in this part of the country. Much has been done to educate the farmer along the line of co-operation, but much remains to be done and some well defined plans must be made to aid each other in times of stress to keep them from the clutches of the enemy.

PLATFORM CONVENTION.

Quite a good deal of talk is being indulged in by both Democrats and Republicans about State platform conventions for 1915. Some are "before taking and some after taking." That is, some contend that the candidates for State offices should be nominated and a platform convention held afterward. While others think

that would be placing the cart before the horse, as it were.

We do not know what the Republican State Committee will do in the matter, but there is no question but what, a State platform convention should be held prior to the August primary, no matter what the Democrats may do. The platform pledges may determine whether many voters will desire to participate in the primary or not. Men do not vote for the candidates but for the things for which they stand. It would be a strange proceeding to nominate a set of candidates and then put a platform under them, regardless of whether it is a fit or a misfit. Besides, some candidates might feel a sense of embarrassment in standing on some planks in some platforms. By all means, let us have an early convention to make a platform and our candidates will have due notice to run or not run. No party should fear to announce its principles, and it is rank cowardice to wait to know what the other fellow thinks.

"Old Glory" in Full Glory.

Whenever an automobile carrying the American flag passes in the streets, the people take off their hats.

Thus salut a report from Liege, and it is the finest piece of news we have thus far received from the scene of war. That flag is thus saluted because Americans have saved fellowmen from starvation. "Old Glory" is also "Old Goodness."

The poor Belgians have seen many days, of late. Some of these flags were torn and blood-stained. All of them represented slaughter, fire, starvation, homelessness, disease, poverty, conquest, rapacity, slavery, death. And now, in the midst of these horrible emblems of human slaughter, there shines another flag.

Red—the brother-blood of all mankind. White—the men should lead clean lives and nations be spotless. Blue—that humanity is as big and universal as the skies.

Stars—to show that, by keeping their eyes on God and their thoughts on each other, men shall become great.

True the smoke from smouldering ashes of homes, above the forms of women and children shivering in fire-blackened cellars, above the heads of broken men who walk and walk the streets in search of bread for loved ones, past the ranks of those who cringe beneath the conqueror's heel, comes "Old Glory," the baker, the clothier, the comforter, the rescuer, on a 3,000-mile mission of love.

And the Belgians take off their hats.

Why, martyrs to human liberty have kissed that flag with their last effort. Millions of slaves have found freedom beneath its folds. The highest of human aspiration designed it. Sacrifice sewed together its stripes. Peaceful progress put upon it its stars. Devotion, patriotism, love of justice, martyrdom have preserved it. It flies above one of the greatest navies of the world. Ten million soldiers would die for it, if needs be.

Take off your hats to it, Belgians. It is "Old Glory"—the glory of human sympathy and help. It comes to you not dripping blood, but waving hope. It is leading columns of warriors and cannon, muskets and sabers, but behind it follow food, clothes for suffering children, America's response to your cries of misery.

Take off your hats to it! It is "Old Glory"—civilization's reply to the battle cry: humanity's rebuke of armed greed, America's notification that God lives and man still moves upward. It is a sign of the coming universal brotherhood glistening high in the heavens, above all the horrors of trench, siege-mine, fort and gun-deck. It stands for the might, the beauty, the progress, the possibilities of peace.

Well may you bare your heads, for it is "Old Glory" in its full glory!

—Louisville Herald.

Marriage License.

Roy Bratcher, Rockport, to Iva Barnes, Ceralvo.

Boston Butler, Simmons, to Lillie Lilkens, McHenry.

Walter E. Hill, Nelson, to Opal G. Kimbley, Centertown.

E. P. Austin, Narrows, to Goro Evans, Narrows.

George Shepherd Prentiss, to May Leach, Prentiss.

Ira E. Allen, Horse Branch to Maty Arnold, Horse Branch.

Otto Lamb, Dundee, to Ella Wallace, Rosine.

Albert Long, Hartford, to Katie E. Wright, Horton.

Roy H. Foreman, Narrows, to Ada Miller, Narrows.

Ezra Crowder, Beaver Dam, to Susan E. Taylor, Beaver Dam.

C. N. Beard, Hartford, Route 5, to Elyse C. Bennett, Hartford, R. 5.

Allen Benton, Olaton, Route 1, to Zella May Shroader, Olaton, R. 1.

H. C. Monroe, Rosine, to Nola Goff, Rosine.

W. E. Blair, Simmons, to Annie Carter, Simmons.

DEATH COMES TO PRESIDENT IRWIN

Head of L. H. & St. L. R. R. Passes Away At Louisville.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 31.—Lucien J. Irwin, president of the Louisville, Henderson and St. Louis Railroad company died at St. Joseph Infirmary at 1 o'clock this morning of complications following an operation for appendicitis, several days ago. He was in his forty-eighth year, and is probably one of the most widely known men in the State, having been connected with the L. & N. and other railroads in the State before becoming the head of the Texas.

Lucien Irwin was born at Abbeville, Miss., and was educated at Columbia, Tenn. His father was a physician and died some years ago. His mother died at Grand Junction, Tenn., about a month ago.

He began his career in the railroad world at Houston, Texas as telegraph operator for a small railroad, after leaving school. Later he located in Memphis for some time, after moving around considerably through the Southwest. At the Tennessee city he became a soliciting freight agent.

During the late eighties he came to Louisville and became connected with the general freight offices of the Louisville and Nashville.

After several years with the Louisville and Nashville, and in the early nineties, Irwin became connected with the Cumberland Gap Dispatch and went to Kansas City, where he solicited freight for the same road in Kansas City, St. Louis and Louisville. Then to Chicago, where he became general agent for the Cumberland Gap road, until in 1898, when he again returned to Louisville and became general freight and passenger agent for the Louisville, Henderson and St. Louis. He remained in this position for eleven years, when he was made general superintendent of the road, and upon the death in the same year of Attila Cox, Sr. the then president of the road, Mr. Irwin was elected to succeed him. He has held that position with the road ever since.

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T. H. HENTON,
County Road Engineer.

ROSINE.

Jan. 1, 1915.—How swiftly the days fly! 1914 with its joys, its sorrows, its sights has become but a blot on history's page, and to-day we renew our hopes plans and resolutions for a full year for Christ, the elevation of mankind, the betterment of our surroundings, and to be helpful to others whenever and wherever we may. Let us be true and do whatsoever we this day resolve.

Mr. David B. Duke is suffering from rheumatism.

Friends have been advised of the death at Olaton Christmas week of our beloved Joseph M. Miller. Bro. Miller's work in Olaton Baptist church in former years, and untiring efforts to further the advancement of the spiritual condition of his community, must linger in the hearts of this people, and coming years show increased results of this service. His illness was long. His life work here is over—truly his bliss is now begun, and he awaits our coming just across the way.

Mr. Alex Strange's home over the river from Dickey's Mills, Ky., was

destroyed recently by fire while the family were in attendance at church during revival meeting.

The country home of Mrs. Perlina Dowell at Clifton Mills, Ky., was destroyed by fire as result of a defective line. Mrs. Dowell and daughters Georgia and Zelma May Dowell, were the only members of the family at home. However, they were fortunate in saving an organ, and feather beds. The same day the home of Wess O. Duke, a son-in-law of Mrs. Dowell, residing in that neighborhood, caught on fire from a defective line, but was gotten under control and loss avoided thru the work of Mr. Duke, who happened to be at home.

Mr. Pace Sanders, aged about 85 years, widely known in Edmonson county, formerly of Rhoda, Ky., suffered the loss of an eye and painful burns at his home in Ollie neighborhood one night last week, when he fell into the fire.

Miss Clemmie Kersey, 14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Kersey, died at Ollie, Ky., on Wednesday, December 23, with interment in local cemetery the following day. Mr. Kersey is engaged in the general merchandise business at that place, is a man of extensive business interest, and many people extend sympathy in this great trial.

Dr. E. W. Paterson, of Louisville, is home during the holidays at the bedside of his mother, at Cromwell.

Roy Raines Allen arrived Dec. 15, at the home of Jackson and Manasse Raines Allen, in Rosine, also the baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Wrights, Schrockers neighborhood, December 23.

Mr. Leisure's school at Vine Hill closed the 23, with several visitors in attendance.

Mr. Alex Aldridge has been quite ill for some weeks at Rosine.

Rev. Wilbert Hall is home from a 13 days sojourn in Grayson, Edmonson, and Hart counties, in revival meetings, where the old time Xmas spirit pervaded. Many people wept, rejoiced, found the Pearl of great price, and are enjoying the smile of God.

GOV. COLQUITT ON ADMINISTRATION

(Continued from First Page.)

since Madero was assassinated. Villa is the dictator of the country and I understand that all he wants is to be chief of police of the City of Mexico with control of the gambling concessions in the cities of Mexico and Juarez.

Add To Disorder.

Our Government has kept England and Germany from restoring order in Mexico and itself done nothing but contribute to the disorder and lawlessness by its vacillating "watchful waiting" policy—if it can be called a policy. The property interests of Mexico and the big exploiters of Mexican resources have got control of the situation absolutely and the same interests have got the ear of our Government at Washington.

The Administration's anti-trust laws are bare-faced takes so far as protecting the people from trust oppression is concerned. These laws please nobody so well as the Standard Oil, the Steel and other great trusts.

I believed at first that the Federal reserve banking act was the Administration's one meritorious achievement, but now bankers tell me it is going to prove a failure. The control of the system in practice appears to rest in New York City instead of Washington.

I am fully convinced the national election of 1916 will end the Democratic regime. The policies of the Democratic National Administration have wholly failed either to curb monopolies or lower the cost of living for the people, and they have millions of wage-earners of employment.

Stood In Way of South.

The Administration valorized \$20,000,000 worth of corporate securities owned in the North and East by a Treasury Department order to national banks to loan money on listed securities at not less than the closing quotations of July 30, 1914, but the same Administration when asked to allow the people to use a quarter of a billion dollars of their collective credit for two or three years to save them from losing \$500,000,000 on their cotton crop, regarded valorization as violative of sound government.

The President stood in the road and condemned the South, which made him, to heavier loss and more widespread misery than it ever has known in three generations. He vindicated an obsolete theory of political economy, but he might near ruined the country doing it.

I raised among my personal friends in Texas more than \$10,000 for the



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Hill Neighbors, et al., Defendants.

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We would be ingrateful if we did not in some way express to our friends our appreciation to them for their liberal patronage during the year. While the year has not been what we had hoped it would be, still we are thankful to you for helping us make it an average year. We shall indeavor though the coming year, to give you the best values possible. Remember this and that IT PAYS TO TRADE WITH A HOUSE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY.

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Hartford Republican.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1.

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L. & N. time card effective Monday Aug. 21st.

No. 114 North Bound due 2:20 p. m. daily except Sunday.

No. 116 South Bound due 8:45 a. m. daily except Sunday.

H. E. MUSCHKE, Agt.

Mr. R. T. Collins is in Louisville, on business.

Mr. McHenry Holbrook returned to Chicago Monday.

Rev. Eli Wesley, Nocreek, was in to see us Tuesday.

Mrs. John Duke visited relatives in Dundee this week.

Mrs. John T. Moore, Elizabethtown, is the guest of relatives in town.

Prof. L. S. Mason, Beaver Dam, was among our callers Wednesday.

Master Pearl Sanderlin is visiting his parents at Owensboro, this week.

Master Larkin Griffin left Tuesday for Owensboro where he will visit relatives.

Miss Etta Holder has returned from a visit to relatives at Parsons, Kansas.

Miss Mary Barnard, of Island, Ky., was the guest of Miss Evelyn Thomas this week.

Rev. B. W. Napier was the guest of friends in Nashville several days this week.

Rev. Cecil Stevens returned to Louisville Sunday after a visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Anthony Davless, of Louisville, was the guest of Mrs. Owen Thomas this week.

Miss Gayle Tichenor and Lucile Pirtle visited friends at Centertown Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Nora Wedding, who is teaching at Central City, is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. J. Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Bennett, of Portland, Oregon, are the guests of Rev. R. D. Bennett and family.

Mrs. Miscke and daughter, Miss Lelia, of Evansville, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Miscke.

Rev. E. L. Sheppard was here last Friday on his way to hold the Quarterly conference at Shinkle Chapel.

Mr. J. D. Ralph and family have moved to Angelton, Texas, where Mr. Ralph has purchased a fine rice farm.

The condition of Mr. W. O. Holbrook was unfavorable last night.

Miss Ora Williams is visiting her brother, Gibson Williams, of Johnston City, Ill.

Mrs. J. A. Bennett returned Tuesday from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. L. B. Foster, at Indianapolis.

Dr. C. R. Bennett and wife, Graham, Ky., were the guests of relatives here several days this week.

Miss Flora Riley, who has been on an extended visit to relatives near Twinsboro, returned home last Friday.

Misses Nellie Austin, Chicago, and Marie Austin, Louisville, visited their sister, Mrs. Hooker Williams, this week.

Miss Key Napier, who is a student at Logan Female College, Russellville, is spending the holidays with her mother.

Mr. John W. Marks returned to his work in Birmingham Wednesday after spending Christmas in his old home town.

Every person in Hartford is expected to visit the new Methodist church this afternoon to be the guests of the ladies.

Miss J. W. Jones, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Laura Stevens returned to her home in Murray Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jennings, of Grubbs, Ky., have returned home after several days' visit to Mr. and Mrs. Dan King.

Misses Mary Smith, of Fordsville, Caronella Evans, of Louisville and Julie Haley, of Fort Worth, Tex., spent the week-end with Miss Marian Holbrook.

Mr. J. H. B. Carson has returned from a visit to Ceralvo. He was accompanied home by his brother, Dr. Elvis Carson, who will make a brief visit here.

Mr. G. B. Likens, Frankfort, was here a few days this week on business. Mr. Likens is being prominently mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for Secretary of State.

Dr. Anderson Byers died at his home near Oloton Monday morning. Dr. Byers was one of the best known men in Ohio county and a leading citizen in his part of the county. He was more than 90 years old.

Miss Mary Marks entertained a few guests Wednesday evening at her residence on Washington street. Various contests were staged, one of which brought out much poetical tal-

ent. Delightful refreshments were served.

Judge Jno. B. Wilson entertained a few friends Monday with a fine possum dinner. The animal was cooked with the usual sweet "tater" accompaniment and was thoroughly enjoyed by several good judges of things in the culinary line.

Miss Marian Holbrook entertained Saturday evening for her week-end guests, Misses Evans, Haley and Smith. The guests of the occasion are indebted to Miss Holbrook for a very pleasant evening. Refreshments consisting of punch, cake and candies were served.

At Davidson Station last Friday Leonard Wedding was accidentally shot by George Davison. The shot which was from a 32 pistol penetrated his bowels and he died Sunday. It is reported that Davison was shooting at Joe Barrett, but we have been unable to learn the facts.

Hon. Albert Leach is announced in this issue as a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator at the regular primary next August. Mr. Lynch represented Ohio county in the House a few years ago and made a faithful and able member. He will prove a strong candidate in the coming contest.

Mrs. H. P. Taylor and Mrs. Mary Logan entertained a few lady friends Saturday evening. Bridge and a knitting contest were enjoyable features. Each lady was requested to knit something for the Belgian children and a handsome prize was awarded for the best work by Mr. Logan.

The work was all so good that no decision could be made and the ladies drew for the prize, Mrs. Laura Keown being the lucky lady. Some special fine musical selections were rendered during the evening to the delight of all. Nice light refreshments were served.

A tobacco factory containing a large amount of grain belonging to the Beaver Dam Milling company, was destroyed by fire last Sunday night. The building was owned by Mr. L. P. Barnard, of Louisville, and was valued at \$2,000, with \$1,000 insurance. The grain was valued at several thousand dollars, fully covered by insurance. The fire was discovered about midnight and its origin is not known. The jewelry store belonging to Mr. M. Hudson was broken into the same night and about \$300 worth of goods taken. Also the blacksmith shop of Williams & Miller was entered but nothing was taken there.

Fancies of Farming.

There is an idea among the city people that the reason farmers are not rich is because they are wasteful, indolent and ignorant. City people who buy farm products with all of the cost of handling and waste-marketing added, only a small portion of which is directly chargeable to the producer, imagines that crops and animals bring enormous profits, ignoring the heavy cost of production and distribution.

As a class farmers are about as intelligent as other laboring people. Many of them have good business judgement and succeed on the farm, although there are many who fail. But the fact should be borne in mind that only those who make a thorough study of farming succeed. There are many difficulties for the man who has had little or no experience and unless he is willing to "labor and to wait" until he masters his difficulties he should not give up a profitable business or leave the lucrative employment to engage in farming.

Many farmers who seem to be prospering are doing so as a result of increased land values. In many instances, lands were bought when they were cheap and now are worth two or three times their former value. This rise may continue for a while and it may decline. The test of farming is for the farmer to make a profit upon his labor and investment. Some are doing this, others are not.

The city man who desires to go to the farm and make it his home may succeed but he must make up his mind to meet difficulties and discouragements as made possible by short crops, poor markets and lack of financial assistance. Those who are determined and who learn practical and theoretical farming and combine their business judgment with ardor are the only class likely to succeed on the farm.

The most attractive advantages in farming are not the money one makes, nor financial standing it gives in the business world, but the contact with nature; fresh air, pure water, the best foods and leisure for reading and reflection. There is no better place to rear a family, provided there are schools, churches, good roads and accessibility to markets. And one of the worst advantages is that many of these things are lacking. Then the city man and his family must be willing to live among rural people and help secure these conveniences. They should go to the farm to make a home and be willing to devote their talents to farming.—Farm and Ranch.

Miss Mary Marks entertained a few guests Wednesday evening at her residence on Washington street. Various contests were staged, one of which brought out much poetical tal-

FARMERS AGREE TO HOLD UP TOBACCO

Meeting Of Growers Of Christian County Is Held.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 29.—Between five and six hundred farmers braved the inclement weather today and attended the meeting which had been called to consider ways and means for securing better prices for their tobacco. Former State Senator Frank Rives was chairman and Benjamin Moore, secretary.

In a number of speeches it was pointed out that the war in Europe has so unsettled the export tobacco demand, which takes the bulk of the crop grown here, that neither buyers or sellers know what true values are, and that the best means for overcoming the trouble is for the farmers to hold their tobacco in their barns until they are offered acceptable prices.

Every speaker voiced the opinion that in time the market will adjust itself and that then good prices will be paid. Some advised reducing the crop the coming year and some called attention to the fact that the delivery of tobacco in poor condition had helped to reduce prices.

A resolution was adopted authorizing Chairman Rives to appoint a committee of three growers from each voting precinct in the county and to call another meeting at a suitable time to perfect the plans, adopt a pledge to be used, etc. Chairman Rives stated he would appoint this committee at once, and another meeting will be held Monday, January 4.

A committee of five Tullahoma, Tenn., growers was here to see what was done and get a line on market conditions, the tobacco of that section having been unsalable up to this time. Probably a similar plan will be adopted there.

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Notice.

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Murder Under Guise of Law. Atlanta, Georgia.—When Leo M. Frank was sentenced in the Fulton county superior court to be hanged on Friday, January 22, for the murder here in April, 1913, of Mary Phagan, a 14-year old factory girl, he made the following statement.

"May it please your honor, this is a momentous day—a day of far greater importance to the state of Georgia and to the majesty of the law even than to myself, for, under the guise of law, your honor is about to pronounce words that will condemn to death an innocent man.

"Transcending in importance the loss of my life is the indelible stain and dishonor resting upon the name of this state by reason of its judicially murdering an innocent man. The jury's verdict of August 25, 1913, finding me guilty of the murder of Mary Phagan did not then and does not now speak the truth.

"I declare your honor and to the world that the verdict was made in an atmosphere seething with mob violence and clamor for my life—a verdict based on evidence absolutely false, which, under other circumstances, would not have been given a moment's credence. I deeply sympathize with the parents of Mary Phagan. The brute that brought so much grief upon them has plunged me into sorrow and misery unspeakable, and is about to accomplish my undoing.

"But this I know, my execution will mark the advent of a new era in Georgia, where a good name and stainless honor count for naught against the word of a vile criminal; women of unimpeachable character are branded as false by the prosecution, disregarded by the jury and the perfumed vapors of a black brute alone accepted as the truth; where a mob crying for blood invaded the courtroom and became the dominant factor in what should have been a solemn judicial trial. Oh, shame—that these things be true.

"Life is very sweet to me. It is not an easy thing to give up the love of dear ones, of wife and parents of ever loyal friends. Though this be true, death has no terrors for me. I

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The Farm Agency of the Continental Fire Insurance Co., of Hartford, Connecticut, formerly represented by A. C. Yeiser, has been transferred to me. I also have the Agency for the Recording business in the following companies: Continental, Hartford, Aetna, Phoenix, and Fidelity underwriters, which includes the business written in all towns in Ohio County.

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Having sold half interest in my feed and produce business to my brother, B. H. Ellis, and desiring to settle all old business by Jan. 1, 1915, those who are indebted to me will please call and pay me on or before the above date.

W. E. ELLIS,
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Fordsville Masons Elect Officers. Fordsville Lodge No. 600 elected the following officers Monday night for the year 1915, viz.: J. D. Cooper, Master; Olla Wil-

son, S. W.; Walter Richards, J. W.; P. C. Cooper, Secy.; G. G. Lamer, Treas.; Fred Robey, S. D.; G. E. Piqua, J. D.; C. P. Kissinger, G. A. Crowe, Stewards; June Litsey, Tyler.

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NEW YEAR PROPHETS

By GENE MORGAN.

ANYBODY who says the world is growing less superstitious must be passing through the ear-flaps of his cap. Every year about January 1 old Superstition shows its ugly, hydra-headed monster in a bassinet basket.

So we are, we no longer take out insurance against ghosts, and if we were in Helgoland we'd want to know if the hotel bellhop had grown these whiskers. But there is one kind of superstition which we seem to be giving more encouragement all the time, and that's the New Year prophecy.

The true New Year prophet is a wonderful soul. If he ever has any good news concerning the future, he carries it with him and buries it. Bad news, robbery, disaster, catastrophe, misfortune, these are the staple groceries he relishes. He prefers to deal. And he knows a clever way of making good.

The New Year prophet wears crepe on his hands every morning while he is putting his forecast in order. He also wears a long, sad face and murmurs over and over that the worst is yet to come. He does this in order that the world may grow pale and weep and shudder. He just loves to show us a gloomy time.

The way the New Year prophet takes stock on his predictions is to examine every kind of bad luck there is. From famine to earthquake, and from plague to war. As this globe of ours has been enjoying a steady diet of these things since the year one, the New Year prophet rarely goes wrong, but just waves his printed predictions up and down and warbles, "I told you so." He is a sure-thing player, and sincerely takes a chance that is not a six. You can't beat him.

For instance, he is safe in forecasting a typhoon in the Pacific ocean, which will destroy shipping, but he wouldn't dare to predict that James Brown will pay me that ten dollars he owes me before the first of next April. He thinks it advisable to foresee a famine in China—but under no circumstances would he venture the belief that it will surely keep all the good resolutions I made on the evening of December 31.

He thought the pay was steady and the hours not too long for indoor work, & believe I should like to take up the work of making New Year prophecies. For the benefit of enterprising employers, looking for bright young men at this kind of work, I have made up a few sample prophecies for 1915. It makes no difference how you do it, whether by crystal gazing or by scientific methods. However, I accomplished it without the aid of a medical almanac or other weapons.

For instance, I predict that:

On January the days will be a little longer, and ice will be cheap. On Jan-

uary 21 the coal bin will be empty.

It's safe to prophesize that in the year 1915, A. D., you are going to keep most of your good resolutions if you made them in an earnest, sincere, try-again spirit. Instead of in the usual, automatic way, like giving a fence its annual whitewash. It's safe to forecast that you'll keep out of debt, that you'll increase your bank account and that you'll get your gilt-edged license for health and happiness—it, instead of growing dreamy-eyed and wondering what the New Year may bring.

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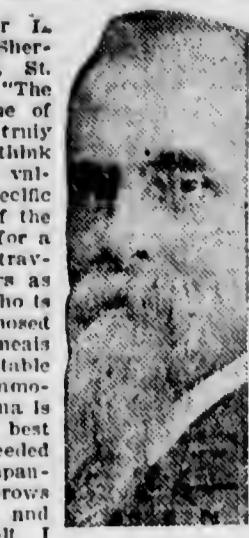
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LATEST WAR NEWS

PE-RU-NA
The Traveler's Companion



Monday.

Germany—Assisted by light cruisers, destroyers and submarines, seven British naval airmen, piloting seaplanes, made a daring attack Christmas day on the German naval base at Cuxhaven, at the mouth of the Elbe. Six of the airmen returned safely, but the seventh, Commander Hewlett, it is feared, has been lost, as his machine was found off Helgoland wrecked. The action of the British navy in thus attempting to "dig out" the German fleet brought about a battle between the most modern of war machines. The British squadron, including the light cruisers Arethusa and Indomitable, which have been engaged in previous exploits on the German coast, was attacked by Zeppelins, seaplanes and submarines. ***

Italy—Instructions have been sent from Rome to the Italian cruiser *Catinara*, now at Beirut, Syria, to assist the United States cruiser *North Carolina* if the necessity should arise as the result of further demonstrations against the departure of Europeans from Turkish territory. The cruiser *North Carolina* recently dispersed a mob on board the Virginia by threatening to use its guns. None of the Powers has protested against the Italian occupation of Aviara. ***

Russia—The Russian Emperor has joined Grand Duke Nicholas at headquarters in Poland. The Russians apparently have gained ascendancy over the Austrians in South Poland and Galicia. The Russians report a series of victories from Middle Poland to the Carpathians, claiming 30,000 prisoners. ***

France—Except in the Argonne and Alsace, where the French have made some progress, outside of artillery practice the battles in the West for the past two or three days have consisted of German attacks to prevent the Allies from organizing ground recently taken. ***

Belgium—Commencing January 1 the German Administration in Belgium has announced it will close the Belgian borders against all comers and that no more passports will be issued. ***

Russia—The Russians claim to have definitely checked the German advances on Warsaw and to have slaughtered the invaders in a fierce battle in the region of Bourgogne, and the same report says great losses were inflicted upon the Austrians in Galicia. ***

England—The London naval and military authorities issued a warning to persons using the streets to the danger from fragments of shell and from bullets used against hostile aircraft attempting a raid on London and advised them to keep under cover, preferably in basements, upon hearing guns or explosives. ***

Germany—The German Government has formally notified the State Department at Washington that American consuls in Belgium must be acceptable to the German military authorities, and that it is desirable that some of the consuls be withdrawn for the present at least. ***

Turkey—Officials in Washington are keenly interested in a Rome dispatch saying the Italian cruiser *Calabria* had been instructed to co-operate with the American cruiser *North Carolina* in protecting refugees on the Syrian coast. Secretary Daniels has again cabled the American commanders at Beirut for information. ***

Russia—The investment by the Russians of the Austrian fortress of Cracow has been abandoned. The Russian forces crossed the Biala River and took possession of a twenty-mile strip of land south of Tuchow, thereby separating the two Austrian armies. The Austrians report that the Russians are retreating precipitately. ***

France—During the entire day a violent storm interfered with the operations along the greater part of the front in France. ***

Wednesday.

Russia—The Petrograd report indicates that the Russian army has checked the advance of the Germans upon Warsaw. The two armies are said to have assumed artillery positions and the fighting begins to resemble that in France. The Russians claim to have captured 50,000 Austrians. ***

Germany—The War Office statement of last night says that a decisive engagement is expected in the Vosges, where the French have taken up strong positions and strengthened their forces. ***

England—All the London newspapers comment on the protest of the United States against England's attitude toward neutral shipping. The editorials are all in a friendly spirit

Pendleton, Dr. E. B., 1 town lot	20.52	Rusher, G. R., 13 a.	4.45
No. 2—West Hartford		Roberts, Will, 22 a.	6.27
Brown, J. F., 75 a.	7.55	Whitler, Mrs. Oscar, 1 t. lot	3.25
Brown, M. W., 75 a.	7.77	Bratcher, R. P., 94 a.	11.08
Hair, W. N., 1 town lot	8.22	Murphy, J. D., 61 a.	7.54
Carpenter, J. C., 1 town lot	7.05	Murphy, Ira, 45	6.26
Davis, R. L., 75 a.	14.27	Newton, C. R., 60 a.	9.91
King, Daniel, 1 town lot	4.85	Whitler, C. H., 64 a.	14.33
Ross, Mrs. D. C., 179 a.	30.79	No. 3—Bedas.	
Walker, R. D., 1 town lot	13.84	Pryor, W. D., 1 t. lot; 1 a.	11.72
No. 4—Beda.		Skinner, W. C., 1 1/2 a.	6.03
Benton, J. W., 72 a.	8.21	Rennett, S. B., 179 a.	14.01
Casteel, H. M., 1 t. lot, 10 a.	4.32	No. 5—22—Olinton.	
Fuqua, John S., t.w. M. Hud- son agent, 40 a.	2.58	Cooper, Geo. W., 20 a.	8.40
Foster, John P., 202 a.	92.39	Coppedge, W. M., 100 a.	10.14
Houwer, L. U., 155 a.	17.89	Duke, Wesley, 125 a.	8.84
Hier, Mrs. E. V., 1 town lot	2.95	Hall, Annie, 1 1/2 a.	2.29
Young, E., 42 a.	8.21	Miller, J. M., 130 a.	17.88
No. 6—Sulphur Springs.		Moxley, C. S., 13 a.	11.43
Ashley, H. M., 50 a.	7.54	Self, A., 3 a.	4.32
Bratcher, Mrs. Mary B., 61 a.	4.24	No. 23—Buford.	
Trister, H. F., (S. P. Peru, Agt.), 40 a.	6.85	Edison, C. J., 100 a.	14.91
Hoops, J. A., 75 a.	7.54	Ellis, Jim, 50 a.	7.46
King, J. B., 128 a.	16.60	Jewell, L. L., 50 a.	6.88
Minion, Waynet, M. C. Schreal- er, Agt.), 40 a.	6.16	Mayfield, W. H., 105 a.	10.65
Peach, A. J., 5 a.	4.02	Ralph, J. F., 5 a.	10.76
Peach, H. T., 45 a.	6.27	No. 24—Bartlett.	
Smith, T. H., 312 a.	6.27	Gossett, R. W., 100 a.	13.36
Tucker, T. H., 50 a.	6.52	Haynes, J. W., 10 a.	5.78
No. 5—Magan.		King, D. R., 50 a.	4.96
Bangkin, C. H., 150 a.	10.31	King, J. T., 150 a.	18.64
Midkiff, H. C., 100 a.	11.51	Rhoads, D. A., 123 a.	11.19
Midkiff, Leo, 75 a.	9.91	Westerfield, J. H., 97 a.	8.21
Midkiff, Oliver, 3 a.	4.64	No. 25—Heflin.	
Westerfield, L. C., 80 a.	20.69	Hutfield, Carl Jr., 82 a.	13.01
Welding, R. A., 51 a.	7.95	Hoover, A. H., 19 a.	7.34
Wade, Mrs. C. A., 75 a.	4.87	Ittig, Mrs. Mary, 201 a.	9.16
No. 6—Cromwell.		Simmons, H. C., 96 a.	10.13
Baize, J. L., 80 a.	6.90	No. 26—Ceralyn.	
Borah, Oscar, 1 town lot	7.52	Bullis, Thos. F., 200 a.	33.68
Burgess, Mary, 10 a.	2.29	Bishop, Ezra, 33 a.	4.96
Embry, Postal 35 a.	7.64	Everly, Mrs. Z. M., 35 a.	3.58
Havens, C. D., 1 town lot	8.84	Igleheart, W. L., 3 1/2 a.	4.32
Royal, Mrs. L. B., 60 a.	3.58	Tiftord, Emery, 50 a.	9.91
No. 7—Cool Springs.		White, W. M., 1 t. lot	5.39
Davenport, A. L., 110 a.	8.84	No. 27—Pt. Pleasant.	
Mitter, F. G., 40 a.	4.96	Williams, Bert, 2 t. lots	4.32
Tully, Mrs. L. A., 60 a.	4.87	No. 28—Narrows.	
No. 8—North Rockport.		Bolton, A. B., 50 a.	7.09
Baker, R. S., 105 a.	9.28	Blacklock, J. M., 40 a.	4.87
Byers, Merville, 1/4 a.	3.72	Cook, Julie Wade, 50 a.	8.84
Byers, John, 1/2 a.	5.97	Condor, J. W., 126 a.	21.52
Dawson, Jerry, 1 town lot	5.97	Harrison, Mrs. Naomi, 60 a.	4.28
Graves, E. A., 1 town lot	8.22	Harrison, T. D., 69 a.	13.16
Heck, Nannie, 1 t. town lot	4.37	Obenchain, Ruth, 49 a.	2.29
Layton, Mrs. J. R., 3 town lots	17.95	Rogers, J. H., 35 a.	8.61
Napier, John, 2 a.	5.39	Willis, O. P., 7 a.	6.73
Tinsley, M. L., 1 town lot	4.85	Willis, Estill, 29 a.	8.75
No. 9—South Rockport.		Willis, Mrs. Vashti, 1 t. lot	2.94
Robertson, W. B., 58 a.	9.91	No. 29—Ralph.	
Shaver, H. B., 2 a.	6.03	Foreman, M. W., 80 a.	7.54
Southard, J. F., 2 a.	7.54	Greer, S. J., 55 a.	8.65
Tichemor, H. A., 50 a.	8.84	Moseley, W. F., 136 a.	6.82
Williams, C. D., 50 a.	10.44	Rhoads, G. W., 67 a.	9.11
Wydick, R. D., 1 town lot	4.01	Westerfield, J. C., 60 a.	6.01
No. 10—Select.		Westerfield, C. T., 50 a.	6.91
Autry, M. F., 117 a.	13.86	Wade, G. T., 71 a.	26.04
Ittutler, A. F., 200 a.	16.45	No. 30—Prentiss.	
Baize, G. W., 23 a.	7.54	Rogers, J. P., 20 a.	2.29
Daugherty, N. E., 11 a.	5.57	No. 31—Herbert.	
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Green, L. E., 25 a.	5.71	Huff, M. G., 40 a.	7.98
Havens, D. (Minor), 25 a.	4.96	Huskings, W. H., 45 a.	6.67
Pearson, Mrs. S. A., 1 town lot	2.62	Thompson, Ralph, 71 a.	7.91
Wilson, I. J., 38 a.	4.96	No. 32—Arnold.	
Wilson, N. B., 23 a.	5.17	Allen, John, 50 a.	2.29
No. 11—Horse Branch.		Loren, L. B., 50 a.	4